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COUNTRY: SOUTH VIETNAM

SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON I CORPS AS OF 0500 HOURS ON
3 FEBRUARY

ACQ: VIETNAM, DANANG (2, 3 FEBRUARY 1968)

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1. DANANG CITY REMAINS UNDER MARTIAL LAW AND STRICT CURFEW, WITH AMERICAN MILITARY ON FULL ALERT. THE VIET CONG (VC) MADE NO MAJOR EFFORT IN THE DANANG CITY AREA DURING THE NIGHT OF 2/3 FEBRUARY, ALTHOUGH AMERICAN MILITARY ADVISORS CONTINUED TO BE CONCERNED OVER REPORTS THAT A REGIMENT OF THE SECOND NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY (NVA) WAS MOVING TOWARD DANANG (SEE FVG-245). THE VC INITIATED SMALL ARMS FIRE IN TWO AREAS ON THE EDGE OF DANANG AIR BASE AT ABOUT 0310 HOURS, FOLLOWED BY HEAVY AMERICAN ARTILLERY FIRE IN RETALIATION. ALL ACTION ENDED SOON AFTER 0400 HOURS.

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2. THE DANANG CITY POLICE AND THE POLICE FIELD FORCE (PFF) ARE CONDUCTING SEARCHES IN THE CITY AND THE IMMEDIATE HAMLETS AND ARE DETAINING IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ALL VIETNAMESE WHO DO NOT HAVE PROPER IDENTIFICATION PAPERS. THE EXACT NUMBER DETAINED IS NOT KNOWN, BUT IT RUNS TO MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED.

3. ALL WAS QUIET IN QUANG NGAI CITY, BUT AT ABOUT 0230 HOURS SON TINH DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS AND SUBSECTOR RECEIVED VC MORTAR FIRE. THE TWO INSTALLATIONS ARE LOCATED ABOUT 1,000 TO 1,200 METERS APART. AT 0245 HOURS THE VC WERE IN THE HAMLET IN WHICH DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IS LOCATED, AND A DIMINISHING FIRE FIGHT CONTINUED AS OF 0330.

4. IN THE LATE EVENING OF 2 FEBRUARY ALL WAS QUIET IN HOI AN, QUANG NAM PROVINCE, AND IN QUANG TRI CITY, AND IN THE ABSENCE OF COMMUNICATION FROM THESE TWO TOWNS, AS WELL AS FROM TAM KY, QUANG TIN PROVINCE, IT IS ASSUMED THE VC HAVE NOT INITIATED MAJOR ACTIVITY.

5. FIELD DISSEM: STATE USMACV III MAP CORDS.
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